# October 2012 Summary

Lindsay Tardif-Huber Meteorologist NWS Bismarck, ND

### October 2012 Highlights

#### Across North Dakota...

- Cooler than normal temperatures.
- Wetter than normal north transitioning to drier than normal south.
- Minor improvements to the drought have been seen across North Dakota.
- However, moderate to severe drought persists across much of the state.

## October Precipitation (Inches)

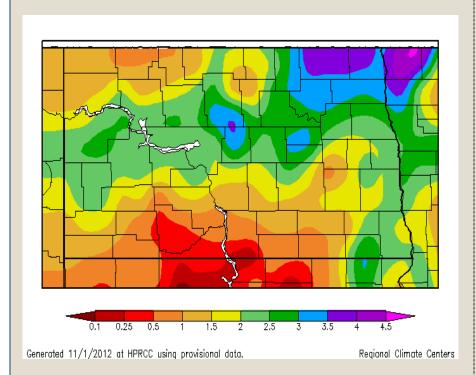
City	Precipitation	Departure from Normal	Rank as the wettest from previous years
Bismarck (1874)	1.02	-0.23	53*
Williston (1894)	1.55	0.63	19
Minot (1896)	2.02	0.86	13
Dickinson (1893)	1.34	0.11	27
Jamestown (1893)	1.54	-0.01	40

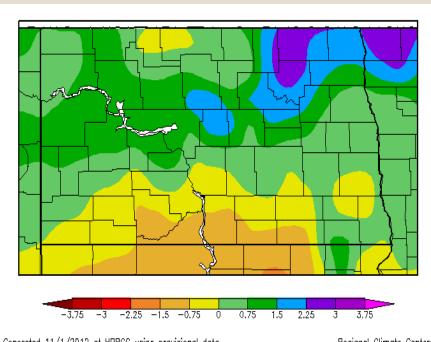
<sup>\*</sup> denotes a tie

## October Precipitation Summary Maps

### **Total Precipitation** (Inches)

### **Departure from Normal** (Inches)





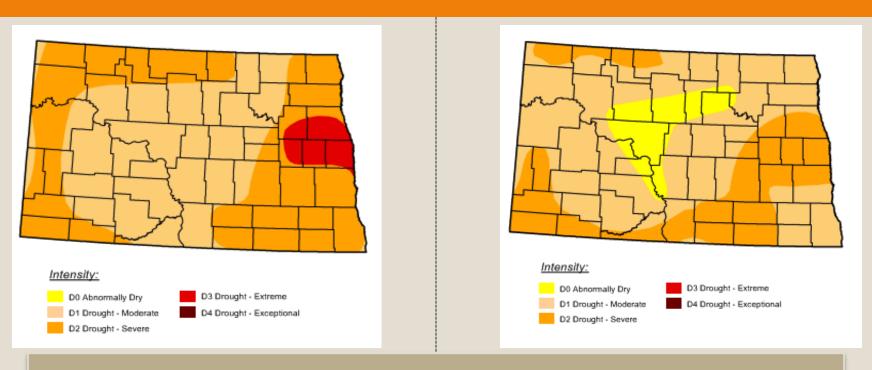
Generated 11/1/2012 at HPRCC using provisional data.

Regional Climate Centers

### **Drought Conditions**

#### October 2

#### October 30



Minor improvements have been seen during the last month. Moderate to severe drought persists across much of the state.

## October Average Temperatures (°F)

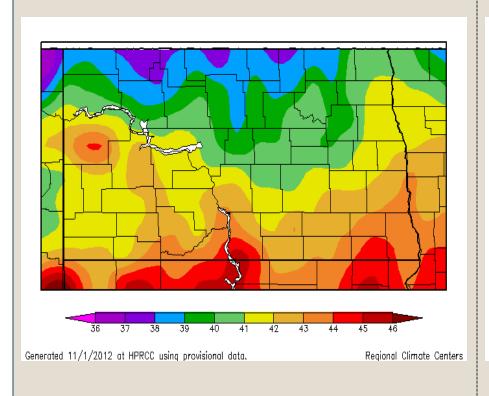
City	Average Temperature	Departure from Normal	Rank as the coolest from previous years
Bismarck (1874)	42.7	-2.1	27
Williston (1894)	40.5	-2.5	15
Minot (1896)	40.7	-3.7	20
Dickinson (1893)	41.8	-2.0	28*
Jamestown (1893)	42.1	-2.0	20

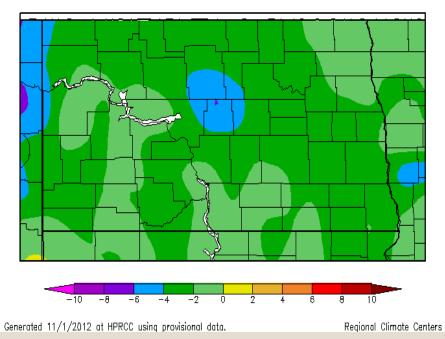
<sup>\*</sup> denotes a tie

## October Temperature Summary Maps

### **Average Temperature**

#### **Departure from Normal**





### October 2012 Highlights

#### Across North Dakota...

- Cooler than normal temperatures.
- Wetter than normal north transitioning to drier than normal south.
- Minor improvements to the drought have been seen across North Dakota.
- However, moderate to severe drought persists across much of the state.